

# SHIPPING NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

## GENERAL ELECTRIC LEASES WAR PLANT

Acquires Remington Company's Property, With Option to Purchase.

Joseph P. Day closed yesterday one of the largest industrial real estate contracts that have been consummated in many years, when the General Electric Company took over under lease, with the option to purchase, the enormous Remington Arms U. M. C. Company plant at Bridgeport, Conn. The transaction involved about \$7,000,000. The plant is probably the largest so-called "war plant" in the country. It was built during 1915 and 1916 by James Stewart & Co.

At the outbreak of the war the Remington Arms U. M. C. Company had enormous war orders to execute, so they had to build a new plant. No time was lost in making their plans, and they decided to carry out their big improvements in Bridgeport, Conn., their home for many years. Bridgeport had the advantage of good railroad connections, water front facilities and skilled labor. Adjoining the company's property was a large unimproved tract. This was acquired and on January 15, 1915, a contract was entered into for the construction of the plant. During the following eight months the entire plant, of 1,500,000 square feet, was completed, together with the power house.

At the apex of activity in the Remington plant there were 3,500 builders at work. At that time the company was manufacturing 100,000 rifles a month.

It is hard to picture a plant of this size except by comparison. It is larger than the Equitable Building by more than 200,000 square feet and 10 per cent larger than the Woolworth Building. The plant is located on a tract of about forty acres. The actual space occupied by buildings is about 900,000 square feet or more than twenty acres. The floor area contained within the building is 1,555,557 square feet, or over thirty-six acres.

In general scheme the buildings may be divided into several groups: First, the group of thirteen main five-story buildings and the dry kiln; second, the five one-story buildings; third, the power house, and fourth, the employment office and guard's quarters buildings and storage buildings. The first two groups are the manufacturing units and the second two are adjuncts of them.

### Industries Industrial Activity.

Joseph P. Day said yesterday: "The securing of this property by the General Electric Company is a good indication of the industrial activity of the whole country. Although the company operates many of the largest manufacturing plants in this country, they did not have sufficient room to execute their orders and needed about 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 square feet in order to turn out their products. Instead of buying land and building a plant along the line of their own existing requirements, they started an investigation of the so-called 'war plants' and the Remington Arms plant at Bridgeport was the most ideal situation they were able to find, and is almost the type and layout of the buildings they would construct for their own needs."

An official of the General Electric Company stated: "Our company needed considerable amount of manufacturing space for executing orders on hand, and after looking over the whole New England field for available factory space it was found that the Remington plant offered facilities which could be used for the purpose. Bridgeport is one of New England's leading manufacturing cities and its close proximity to New York makes it an excellent location for the manufacture of electric products, particularly of the smaller types and sizes."

C. L. Reardon, president of the Remington Arms Company, stated: "The plant that has been taken over by the General Electric Company was one of our surplus properties and was sold to the Bridgeport Liquidation Corporation. It was erected during the war for the export of war orders. It has served its purpose well and I am glad to see it occupied by the General Electric Company. When taking over the plant we had in mind its use after the close of the war. The leasing of this property has no effect whatever on our U. M. C. Company plant at Bridgeport, which is always in full operation on our general line of work."

### BEIGIAN LINE GETS PIER 13

Docks on Staten Island to Be Retained Also.

Joseph A. Nash, American manager of the Lloyd Royal Belge, a Belgian steamer line, announced yesterday that the line had leased Pier No. 13, Hudson River, from the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad. Hereafter the Belgian line had been compelled to use dock facilities on Staten Island. The new arrangement needs still another pier, Mr. Nash said, and will continue to avail itself of the Richmond docks for the present. Incoming shipments from Belgium to Manhattan will be carried direct to Pier 13.

### EUROPE.

**MANCHESTER FIRM** has for disposal stocks of CAMBRICS, LAWNS, FINE CASEMENTS

Textile Goods for Rubberizing.

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W. H. SMITH & SON,

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An Ideal Hotel in the Heart of Fashionable Paris, with the Most Charming Homelike Suites of Apartments.

Quoted: "A HOME FROM HOME."

French factory making beads for

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business and, if possible, build LACOSTE

factory in America. Write LACOSTE

& CO., 139 Avenue de la Republique,

LIVERPOOL to Belgian battlefields

to deliver 600,000 shells. Delivered

and shipped last night. Two years

ago, the British army, Lord Gough,

Glasgow, North Wales, England.

## GAFFNEY GAY DOG, SAYS MRS. CONWAY

She Has Him Pinched for Flirtatious Habits.

Mrs. Anna Conway, who is 60 years old and owns a grocery store in 502 West Twenty-eighth street, had her neighbor, John Gaffney, who is 61 and runs an opposition newspaper in 608 West Twenty-eighth street, arrested yesterday and taken before Magistrate Thomas J. Nolan in the Jefferson Market court, where she charged that the gentleman was a gay old dog and tried to flirt with her all the time.

"Judge," said Mrs. Conway, "this old fellow annoys me all the time. My husband is away in the continent for his health and this man Gaffney passes my place every day and imitates my husband's cough."

Mr. Gaffney pouted his cane on the floor and made vigorous interruption, the gist of which was that Mrs. Conway was undoubtedly a nice lady, but was not telling the truth.

"He's fussy," Judge, continued Mrs. Conway. "He's in love with me, Judge, and he's always calling me 'darling, dearie and shanavan.'" "The fact is, Judge," said Mr. Gaffney, "I came to this court to testify that this lady is jealous of my business."

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## MRS. DYER LEFT \$5,000,000.

Daughter Inherits Bulk of Brooklyn Woman's Estate.

The will of Mrs. Mary J. Dyer, widow of Horatio D. Dyer, who formerly lived in 25 Pierpont street, Brooklyn, which disposes of an estate estimated at \$5,000,000, was filed for probate with Surrogate Slater in White Plains yesterday.

The bulk of the big fortune is inherited by the daughter, the testatrix, Mrs. Marie Morton Dyer. In a codicil Mrs. Dyer bequeaths \$300,000 to Augustus Palmer, who has been a servant in the family for twenty years. The Guaranty Trust Company and Gates Falmes are named as executors.

**Williams Named Revenue Chief.**

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The nomination of William Martin Williams of Montgomery, Ala., to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue was sent to the Senate today by President Wilson.

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